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FIREWORKS FOR A PURPOSE

Representatives of Torrance Scout Center, inc., composed of various clubs and organizations, will man this fireworks booth at 234th st. and Western ave. Proceeds will be used toward the construction of a Torrance Scout center near the YWCA. Youngsters are watching Hal Laudeman put finishing touches on the stand. Looking out (l-r) are Tom Ward, Civitan; Mrs. Nila Moore, and Mrs. Helen Tatum, Torrance Junior Woman's club. Other organizations, chiefly veterans, will also have stands throughout the city.—Press Photo.

Special Building Set Up At Douglas For Plastics

A modern plastics building, pressurized throughout to remove contaminating dust, has been occupied at the Torrance location of Douglas Aircraft's El Segundo division.

The extensive use of plastics in today's high speed Navy aircraft, made it necessary to construct the building. It was designed not only for present production needs, but for any foreseeable future requirements in the plastics field.

Pressurization is necessary because dust causes serious distortion in contact-formed parts in the molds. Metal dust seriously reduces radar transmission of radomes. Tiny specks of oil reduce the bond strength of plastic parts. It is essential, therefore, that entrance of outside air be held to a minimum. Vacuum-type dust collectors pick up dust created during manufacturing operations.

4000 Hours A Week
During the last few years, the growth of the plastics department at Torrance has been rapid. Over 300 production employees now produce approximately 4000 parts a week.

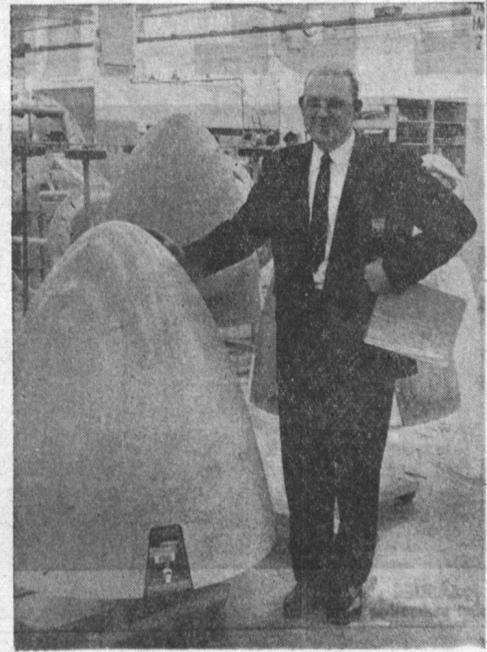
An increase in this work load is expected as the department assumes responsibility for manufacture of all plastic parts of the El Segundo division. For some time they have been building radomes for the Long Beach division. At present, 4000 hours a week are devoted to such activities.

Constructed of new, insulated steel paneled walls, the building has 71,000 square feet of covered floor space, including a balcony. This upstairs area provides space for methods development and materials and process engineering groups, tool storage, tool repair, and production of conduits and defrosting ducts.

Along with all kinds of radomes, the department makes instrument panels, enclosures, ducts, dust covers, leading edges and fin tips.

Unusual Feature
One unusual feature is a dust free forming area where the ovens open directly into the room to prevent any possibility of contamination during the forming of enclosure materials. Even the controls are in the walls, and new-type clamping racks hold the material while it is being heated. With the ovens opening directly into the room, the heated material will not crack due to thermal shock which would occur if it were transferred from the oven to a cold room.

All types of up-to-date equipment have been provided. There are three heated-platen presses; six ovens for curing and annealing, with another on order;



PLASTICS VETERAN

General Foreman R. L. Dudley, 17016 Faysmith avenue, Torrance, has been associated with the plastics' field for over 13 years. He is department head of the expanding operations at Torrance.

punch presses; three major paint booths; two large vacuum autoclaves to reduce surface porosity of laminated parts, and a special dry paint booth to re-

move parts from the molds. A special section has been established in which one group does all trim and assembly work.

General Foreman R. L. Dudley, after 13 years in the field, is enthusiastic about the continued growth and expansion of the plastics industry. The new plastics building is a dream come true for him. He says, "We will endeavor to build the best and lowest cost plastics in the nation."

Transfer Problem Discussed

Following negotiations with representatives of the protesting parents, school officials felt that a solution could be found to the transfer problem involving certain children at Madrona and Perry elementary schools.

Madrona representatives appeared to understand and accept the necessity of having to transfer certain pupils to Meadow park school, officials stated.

They may be given their choice of transferring in September or December.

Inasmuch as there are only about 10 students involved in the proposed transfer from Perry to El Nido, the School Board may see fit to leave them at Perry, officials indicated.

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